2020 ANNUAL OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Glenwood Ranger District

Gila National Forest

Kelly Allotment #428

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District Ranger Date: 01/16/2020

Annual Operating Instructions

I. INTRODUCTION

Kendall Brown (Forest Service) met with Danny Montoya, Danny Fryar, and Jimmy Serna (permittees) on January 16, 2020 to discuss management of the Kelly Allotment during the current grazing year and to plan grazing management for the upcoming grazing season. These Annual Operating Instructions are the result of that discussion.

Term Permitted Livestock Numbers:

Permittee	Number & Class of livestock	Dates
Danny & Jacqueline Fryar	49 Cow/Calf & 2 Horses	03/01 – 02/28
Danny & Genevieve Montoya	41 Cow/Calf	03/01 – 02/28
Jimmy Serna	14 Cow/Calf & 2 Horses	03/01 - 02/28

Authorized Use:

Permittee	Number & Class of livestock	Dates
Danny & Jacqueline Fryar	49 Cow/Calf & 2 Horses	03/01 – 02/28
Danny & Genevieve Montoya	41 Cow/Calf	03/01 – 02/28
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Pasture Rotations:

Class of Livestock	Rotation Date	Pasture
Cow/Calf	03/01 - 05/30	Spurgeon
Cow/Calf	06/01 – 10/30	Middle/Big
Cow/Calf	11/01 – 02/28	West
Cow/Calf	May/June & Oct/Nov	Willy Holding/Little*
	Rest	Sally/East
	Growing Season Rest	West/Spurgeon

^{*}Weaning, branding, holding, shipping, etc.

Note: No livestock grazing is authorized in the San Francisco River, except designated water points.

The above schedule for stocking the allotment depends upon the availability of forage and water. Some flexibility in the above pasture rotation dates will be allowed for justifiable causes such as weather conditions, livestock management needs, and range conditions. If there is a need to deviate from the above pasture rotation schedule by more than 15 days, you must notify the Ranger District of the proposed change in the pasture rotation date and the reason for the change. A deviation from the above schedule of more than 15 days must be approved

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verbally or in writing. Credit/Refund applications will not be processed unless District personnel have been notified either in advance or at the time of removal of stock.

II. MANAGEMENT OF LIVESTOCK

You are responsible for monitoring water availability and forage utilization. It is your responsibility to move your livestock when sufficient water is no longer available or when proper forage utilization is achieved in a pasture. You are responsible for keeping track of and maintaining control of your livestock. In the event your livestock are found to be out of the scheduled pasture, you will be required to find, gather, and return your animals to the proper pasture as soon as possible.

III. IMPROVEMENT MAINTENANCE

All range improvements assigned in the 10-year Term Grazing Permit are to be maintained in a functioning condition. In the event these improvements cannot be brought up to a functioning condition, you should notify the Range Staff at the Glenwood Ranger District to schedule them for reconstruction as funds become available.

The following permit modifications have been authorized for the allotment.

Permittee	Modification #	Type	Remarks
Kelly		Spurgeon Tank	(COMPLETED 2018)

You requested permission to divide Spurgeon Pasture. Permittees have flagged in a proposed alignment. Clearances have been obtained. Work can start at anytime. This fence will improve distribution and allow more control over use. This will provide additional recovery opportunities. It will provide a beginning for moving toward a shorter spring calving season any may improve calving percentages.

In 2018, Spurgeon tank was cleaned.

Rebuild 2.5 miles of fence between Holding/Middle and Spurgeon pastures (3179) and 2.5 miles of fence between Big and Middle Pastures (3173). (Funding from NRCS has been obtained).

Willy Well – replace with above ground pipeline into Middle Pasture. (Funding from NRCS has been obtained).

IV. MODIFICATIONS

If unforeseen operational conditions require a change in the management specified in this AOI please contact rangeland management personnel at the Glenwood Ranger District. Change requests should be made in advance so that field inspections (if necessary) can be conducted. Approval of changes to this AOI may be verbal or written, depending on the nature of the change requested. Verbal changes will be documented to your file for record keeping purposes. Failure to follow the direction provided in this AOI, or other instructions (verbal or written) of a Forest Officer may lead to adverse action against your Term Grazing Permit (Part 1, Section 3 of your Term Grazing Permit).

Open and positive communications concerning all AOI content is encouraged. Feel free to contact Kendall Brown if you have any questions or concerns.

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